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1. SUMMARY: DISCUSSION WITH PRESIDENT SUHARTO CONFIRMS THAT INDONESIA CONTINUING TO COUNT OF VICTORY FOR CANADIAN/FRENCH RESOLUTION AND RELUCTANT FACE UP TO POSSIBLE NEGATIVE VOTE ON NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION. END SUMMARY.

2. I SAW PRESIDENT SUHARTO OCTOBER 20 AND INFORMED HIM THAT I WAS UNDER INSTRUCTIONS RAISE QUESTION OF KOREA WITH HIM BECAUSE OF OUR STRONG FEELING THIS CONSTITUTED ISSUE RELATED TO PEACE AND SECURITY IN ASIA WHICH TRANS-CENDED NORMAL UN CONSIDERATIONS. WHILE WE WELCOMED
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INDONESIAN DECISION TO DEFEND PRIORITY FOR AND TO VOTE

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FOR CANADIAN/FRENCH RESOLUTION, WE STILL EXPECTED
STRONG EFFORT TO BE MADE, REGARDLESS, TO BRING NORTH
KOREAN RESOLUTION TO VOTE. NORTH KOREA WAS AGGRESSIVE
POWER WHICH COULD ONLY BE ENCOURAGED BY SUCCESSFUL
PSYCHOLOGICAL VICTORY IN UN. KOREAN PENINSULA WAS DANGER
POINT, CONFLICT THERE COULD AFFECT ALL OF ASIA AND PARTI-
CURLARLY JAPAN. NOTH KOREA WAS SEEKING REMOVE SECURITY
UMBRELLA AND ISOLATE SOUTH KOREA. WE BELIEVE THOSE
CONCERNS SHOULD TRANSCEND NORMAL CONSIDERATION OF NON-
ALIGNMENT IN UN POLITICS AND STRONGLY HOPE THAT IF NORTH
KOREAN RESOLUTION COMES TO VOTE, INDONESIA AND OTHER
ASEAN COUNTRIES WILL VOTE AGAINST IT.

3. PRESIDENT REPLIED THAT INDONESIA IN PRINCIPLE AGAINST
NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION BUT UNDERSTANDS THAT CANADIAN
RESOLUTION AS AMEMDED HAS CHANCE OF ACCEPTANCE AND
INDONESIA WILL VOTE FOR IT. HE SAID I WAS CORRECT IN
CITING PROBLEM OF NONALIGNMENT RELATIONSHIP. NON-
ALIGNED COUNTRIES HAVE ENDORSED NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION
AND THIS WOULD MAKE IT VERY DIFFICULT FOR INDONESIA TO
VOTE AGAINST IT.

4. I SAID WE APPRECIATED DIFFICULTY BUT BELIEVED THAT
PERHAPS OTHER CONSIDERATIONS CLOSER TO HOME SHOULD PREVAIL.
I SAID THAT EVENTS COULD MOVE QUICKLY IN NEW YORK AND
WE MIGHT ALL BE FACED WITH UNPLEASANT DILEMNA OF VOTE ON
NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION ON VERY SHORT NOTICE. WE ATTACHED
MAJOR IMPORTANCE TO THIS ISSUE AND HOPED THAT OUR FRIENDS
IN ASIA WOULD THINK VERY SERIOUSLY REGARDING CONSEQUENCES
OF SUCCESSFUL NORTH KOREAN EFFORT. I SAID I HAD DISCUSSED
MATTER WITH FOREIGN MINISTER MALIK AND THAT I TOLD MALIK
I WOULD BE KNOCKING ON HIS DOOR AGAIN IF IT LOOKED AS IF
NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION WOULD ACTUALLY COME TO VOTE.

5. PRESIDENT SAID HE UNDERSTOOD SERIOUSNESS OF MATTER
AND THAT HE WAS CONSULTING CLOSELY WITH OTHER ASEAN
COUNTRIES. HE AGREED THAT I SHOULD KEEP IN CLOSE TOUCH
WITH MALIK.

6. COMMENT: IN MY DISCUSSIONS WITH BOTH MALIK AND
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PRESIDENT I HAVE NOT SUGGESTED (AS PROPOSED REF B) THAT
WE WOULD UNDERSTAND INDONESAN ABSTENTION ON CANADIAN/
FRENCH RESOLUTION. WE HAVE INDONESIAN SUPPORT ON THIS
AND I BELIEVE WE SHOULD KEEP THEIR FEET TO FIRE. THERE
IS NO EVIDENCE THEY SEE ABSTENTION ON CANADIAN RESOLUTION
AS ALTERNATIVE TO UNPLEASANT PROSPECT OF NEGATIVE VOTE
ON NORTH KOREAN RESOLTUION. CERTAINLY ONE KEY TO THEIR
ACTION IS WHAT OTHER ASEAN COUNTRIES WILL DO. STRONG

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JAPANESE POSITION WOULD ALSO HELP BUT WE HAVE NOT YET
SEEN ANY CLEAR EVIDENCE OF SUCH HERE. AS EVENTS MAY
UNFOLD IN NEW YORK--PROBABLY RAPIDLY--IT IS VERY IMPORTANT
KEEP IN TOUCH WITH GOI AMBASSADOR SANI AND TO GIVE US
HERE AS MUCH NOTICE AS POSSIBLE WHEN IT APPEARS VOTE ON
NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION IS INESCAPABLE. NEWSOM

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